

CMSI Children's Resource 2021





Key teaching points

- ◆ God's Hope turns despair into joy.
- Heroes Of Hope put other people first.

Suggested Outline

The Heroes Of Hope material can be used in whatever order or format works best for you. However, the following suggested outline may prove helpful.

- 1. **Remind the children what 'hope' is in the Bible** (see Introduction).

 Depending on the age of the children, you may want to talk about 'Being sure God is with us and will look after us' or 'A firm confidence that God will look after us and that He has a perfect future for us.'
- 2. Read (and explain if necessary) the main teaching points listed above.
- 3. **Watch a Global Church Story film -** eg. Egypt
 After the film, you may want to have a quick chat about it, or just ask how the people in the story are helping to share God's hope.
- 4. Read the Bible Story (Ruth, Naomi and Boaz)
 - Open the 'Session 2 Bible Story' pdf
 - Read, or use, the 'background' to help set the scene.
 - ➡ Read the Bible passages or watch one of the animated films (or read and watch).
 - Read, or use, 'The Story Continues' to complete the story. Or you can use this after the activities.
- 5. Do one or more of the Session 2 activities [pdf]

Depending on the age of the children and available time, pick whichever activities you want.

6. **Watch one or two Global Church Story films** - eg. Burundi and Uganda After the film, you may want to have a quick chat about it, or just ask how the people in the story are helping to share God's hope.

7. Recap and application

If you have time, you may want to ask some questions or have a bit of a chat about today's Bible story and Global Church films, to help reinforce the main teaching points. For example:

- ➡ Why was life so tough for Ruth and Naomi at the start of the story?
- ➡ In what ways did Ruth put Naomi's needs before her own?
- → How did Ruth share God's hope with Naomi?
- → How did Boaz share God's hope with Ruth and Naomi?
- What does today's Bible story teach us about how we can share God's hope with other people?
- What can we learn from today's Global Church Story film(s) about sharing God's hope?
- What can you do this week to put other people first and to share God' hope with them?